Order Number: 0402-00-17

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOREST SERVICE BOISE NATIONAL FOREST

Road Bridge Load Limits

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50 (b), the following acts are prohibited on the National Forest System road bridges described in this order, all within the administrative boundaries of the Boise National Forest. This Order will be in effect when signed and shall remain in effect until further notice.

1. Operating a vehicle in excess of the weight limits posted on bridges specified in this Order. 36 CFR 261.54(d)

EXEMPTIONS

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

- 1. Persons with a special use authorization or other Forest Service authorization specifically exempting them from the effect of this Order.
- 2. Any Federal, State, or local law enforcement officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

BRIDGE LOCATIONS

Road Number - Milepost	Bridge Name	Load Posting Type Tons*		
		3	3S2	3-3
129 - 0.9	Fall Creek Bridge	21	32	41
165 - 0.25	S.F. Boise River - Danskin	22	27	28
206 - 1.5	Queens River Bridge	23	35	43
236 - 0.1	Grimes Creek	18	28	33
289 - 1.7	Yuba River	24	37	43
327 - 34.2	N. F. Boise River Bridge	21	33	40
362 - 1.3	Little Beaver Ck. Bridge	23	34	43
678 - 0.1	M.F. Payette River	22	28	33
025GB - 0.1	S.F. Payette River	24	38	43
025NB - 0.1	S.F. Payette River	25	32	36

^{*} Based on specifications established by the American Association of State and Highway Transportation Officials (AASHTO).

PURPOSE

This prohibition is in effect for public safety.

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IMPLEMENTATION

- 1. This Order will be in effect when signed and shall remain in effect until further notice.
- 2. Location maps identifying the above-described bridges are attached to and made part of this Order.
- 3. Any violation of this Order is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, and/or imprisonment for not more than six months [Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3571(b)(6), Title 18 USC 3581 (b)(7)].
- 4. This Order supersedes any previous Orders/Notices for the above-described bridges or portions thereof.
- 5. Further information regarding this Order may be obtained at the Boise National Forest Supervisor's Office, Boise, ID, telephone number 208-373-4100.

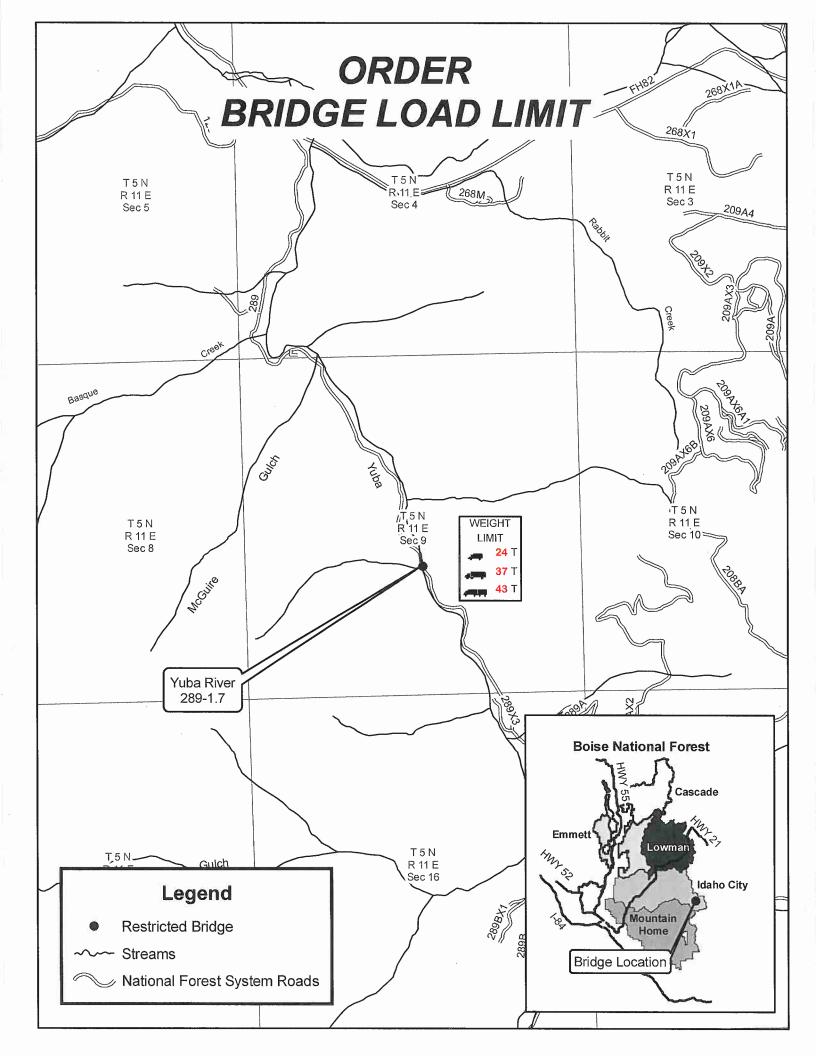
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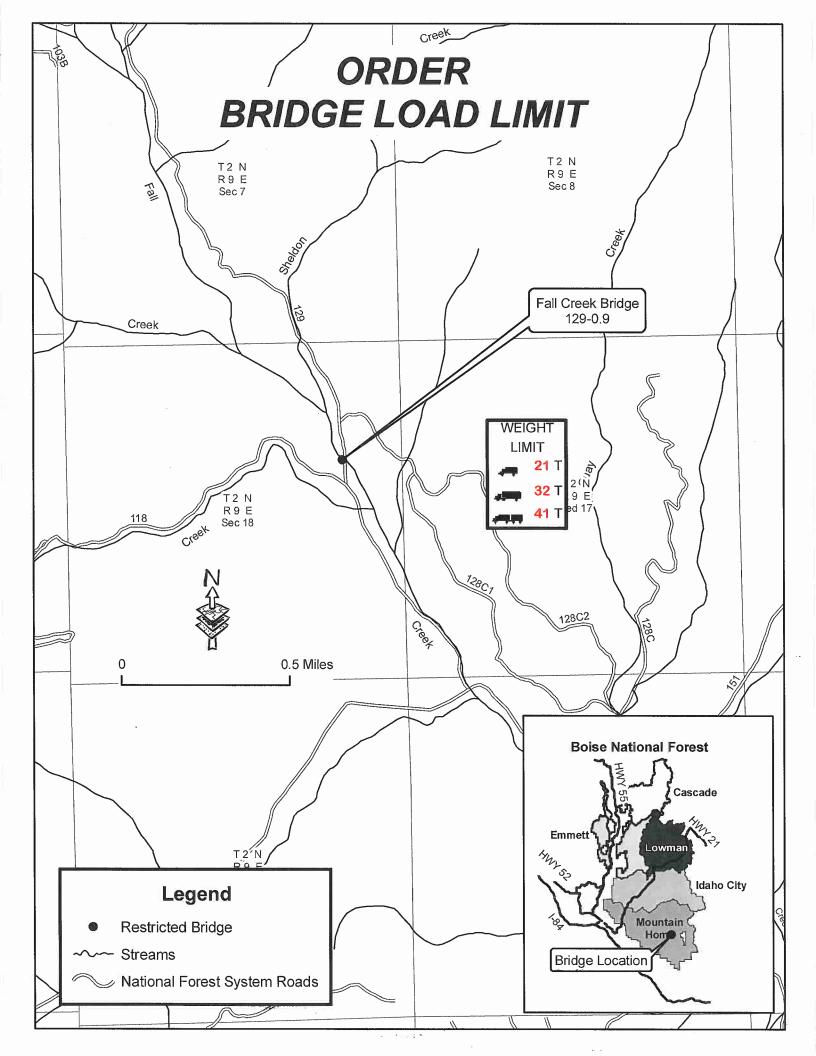
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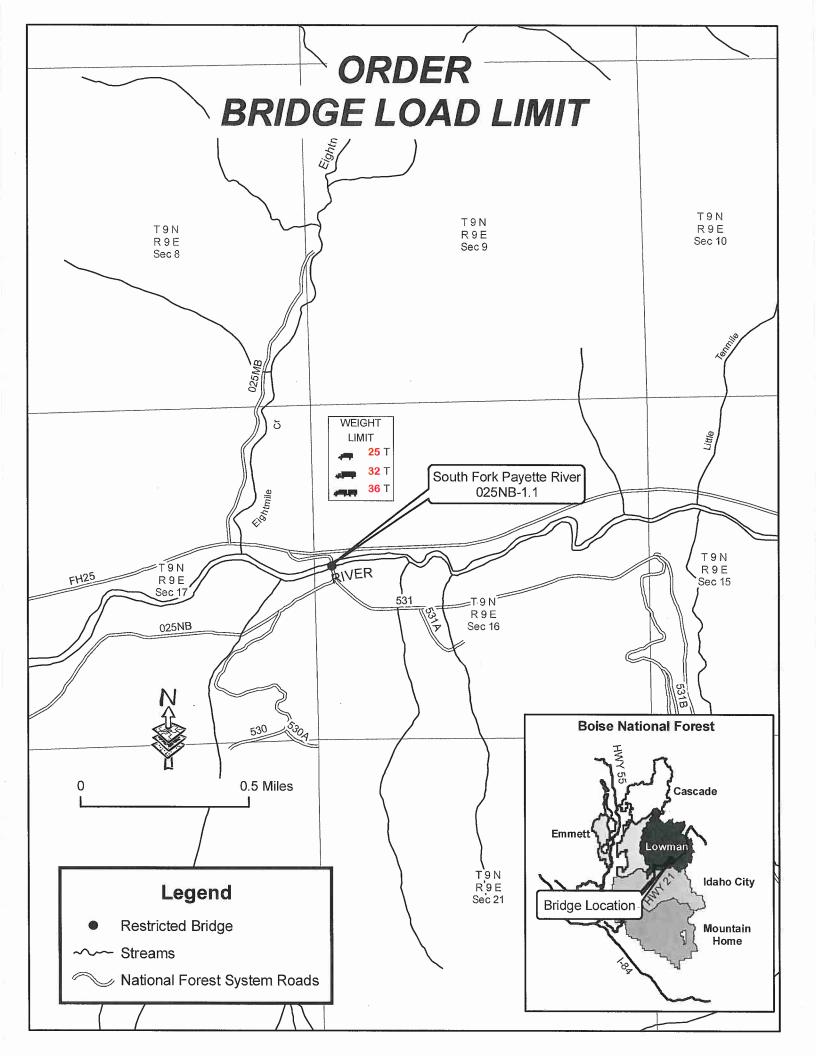
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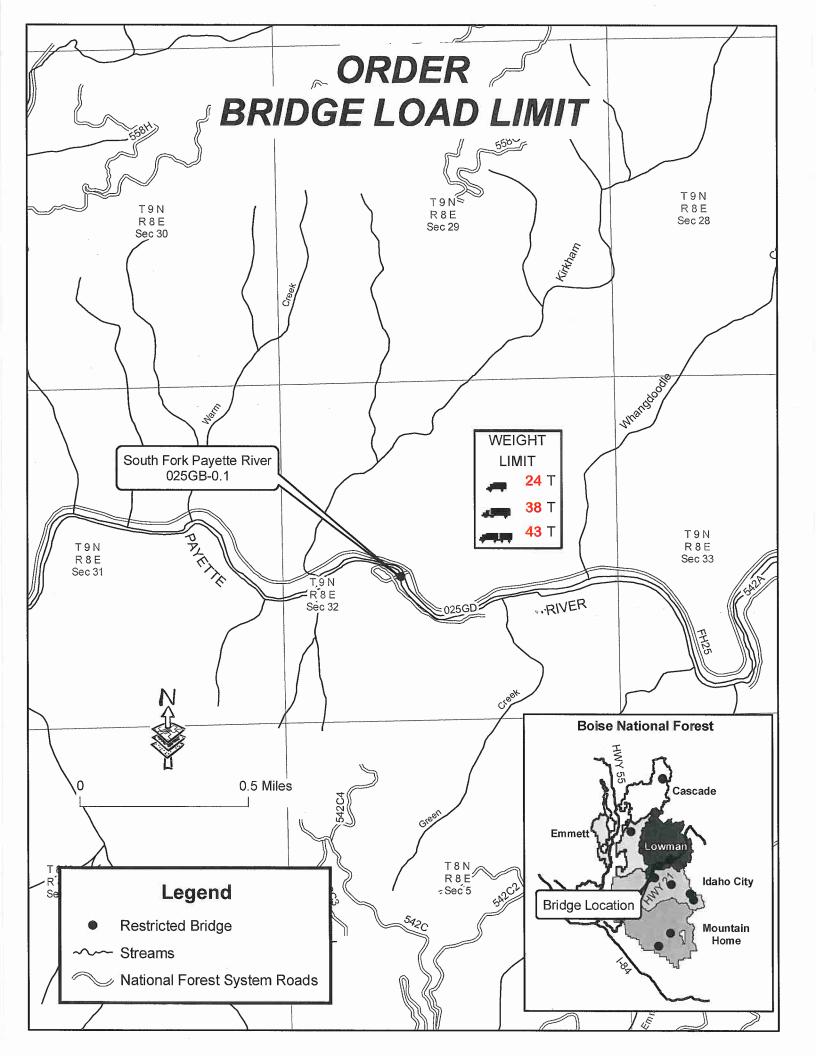
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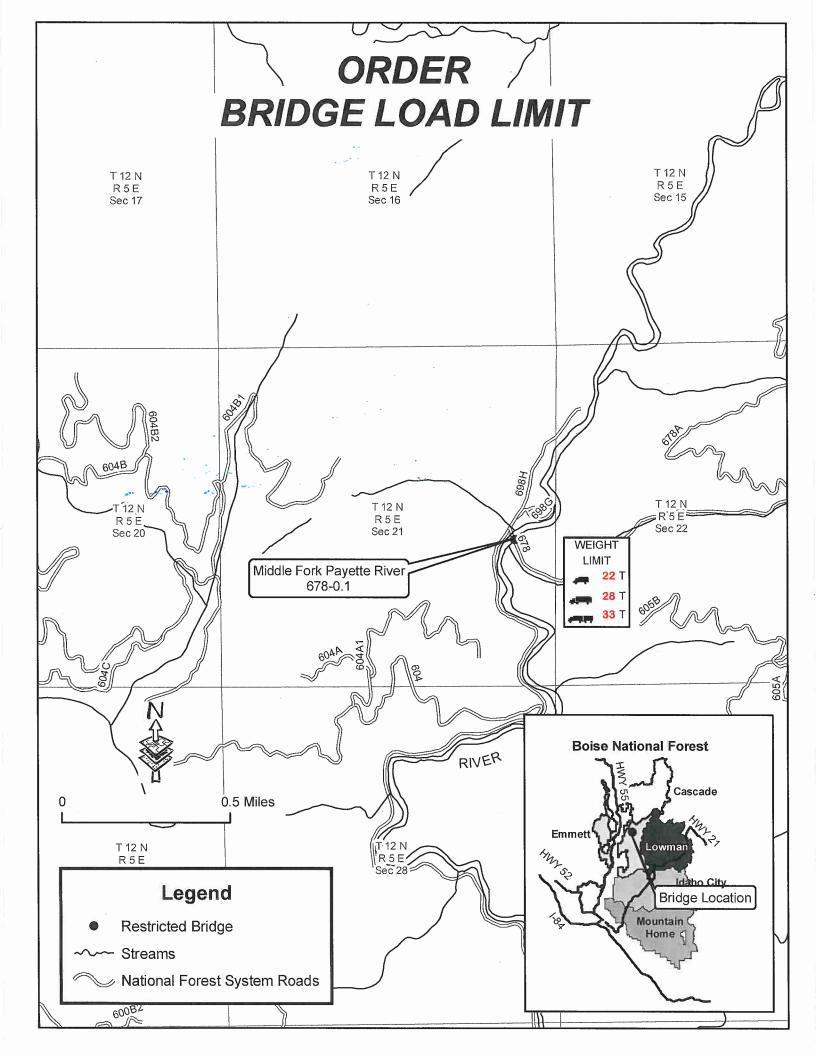
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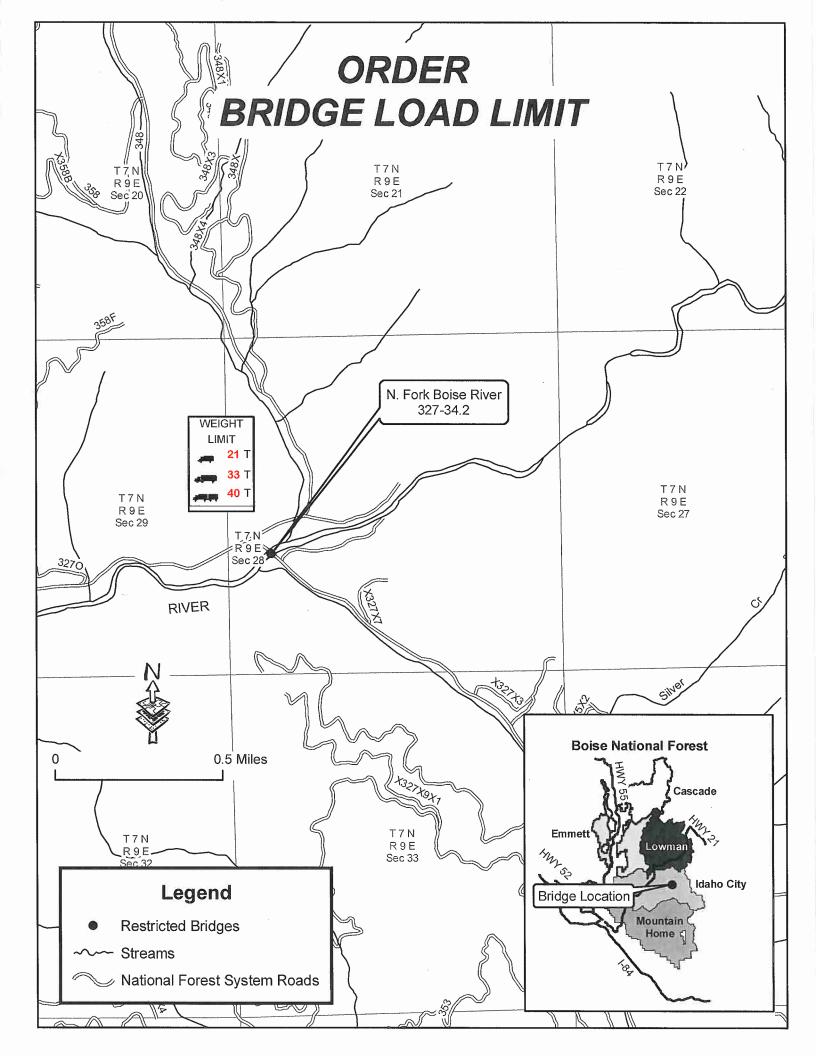


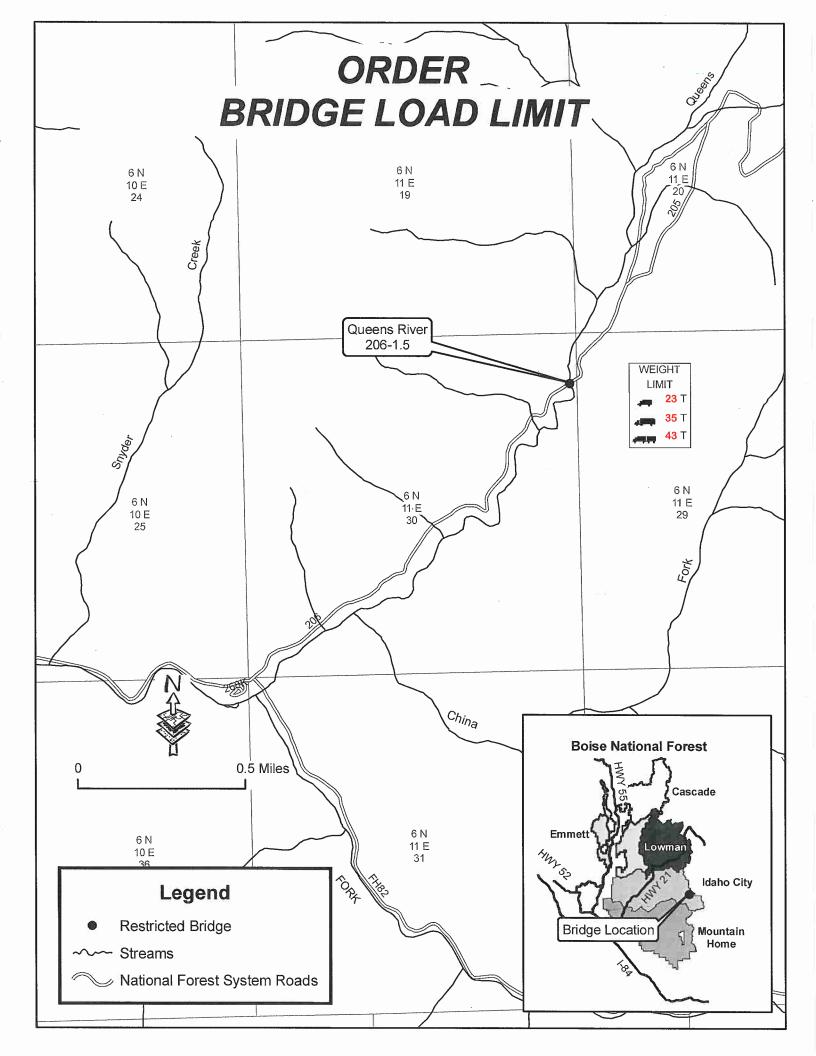


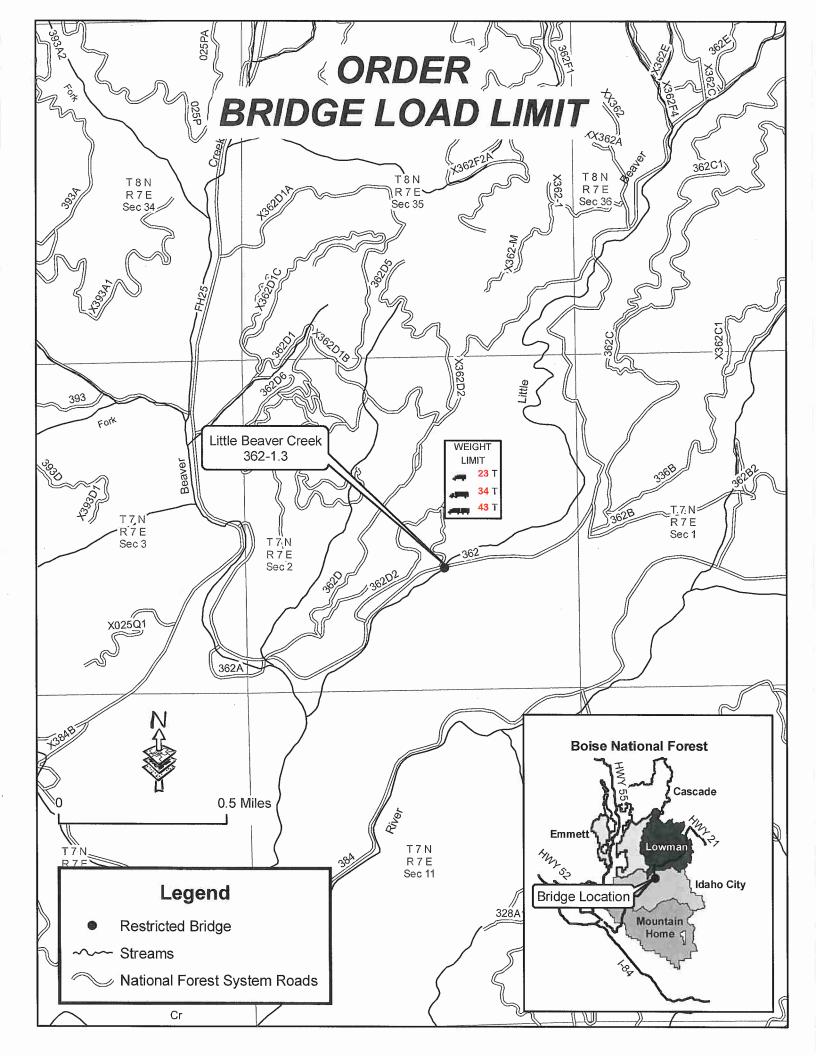


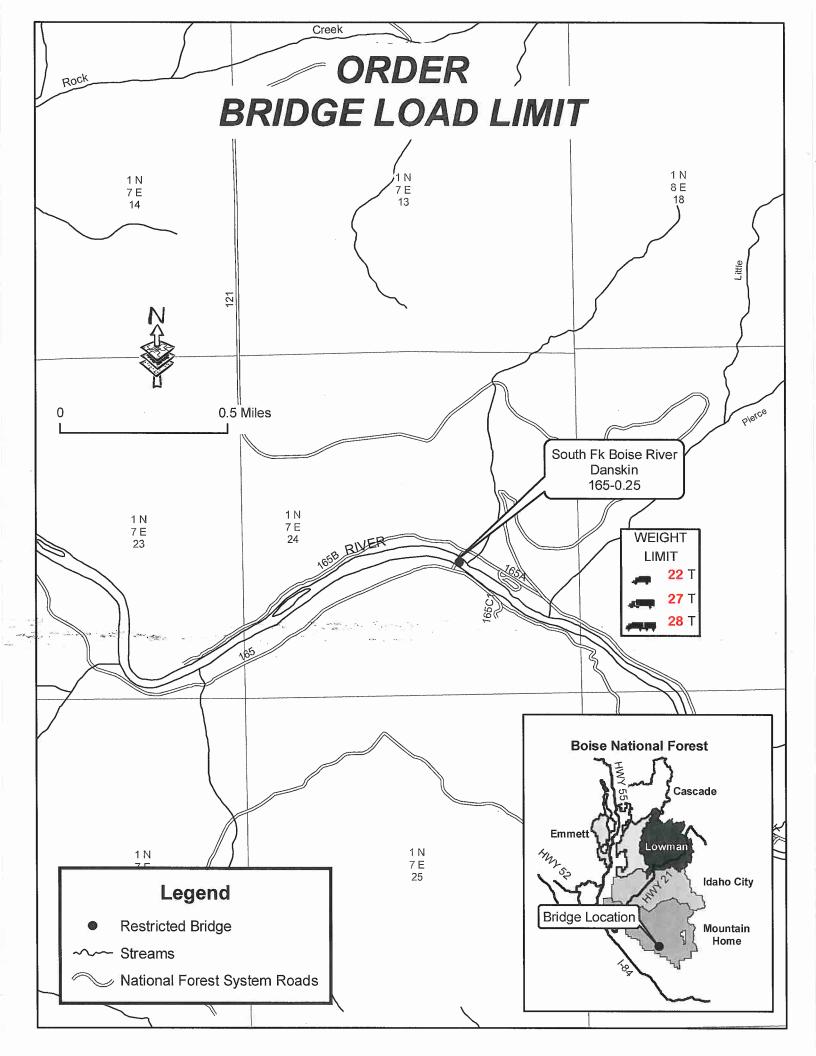


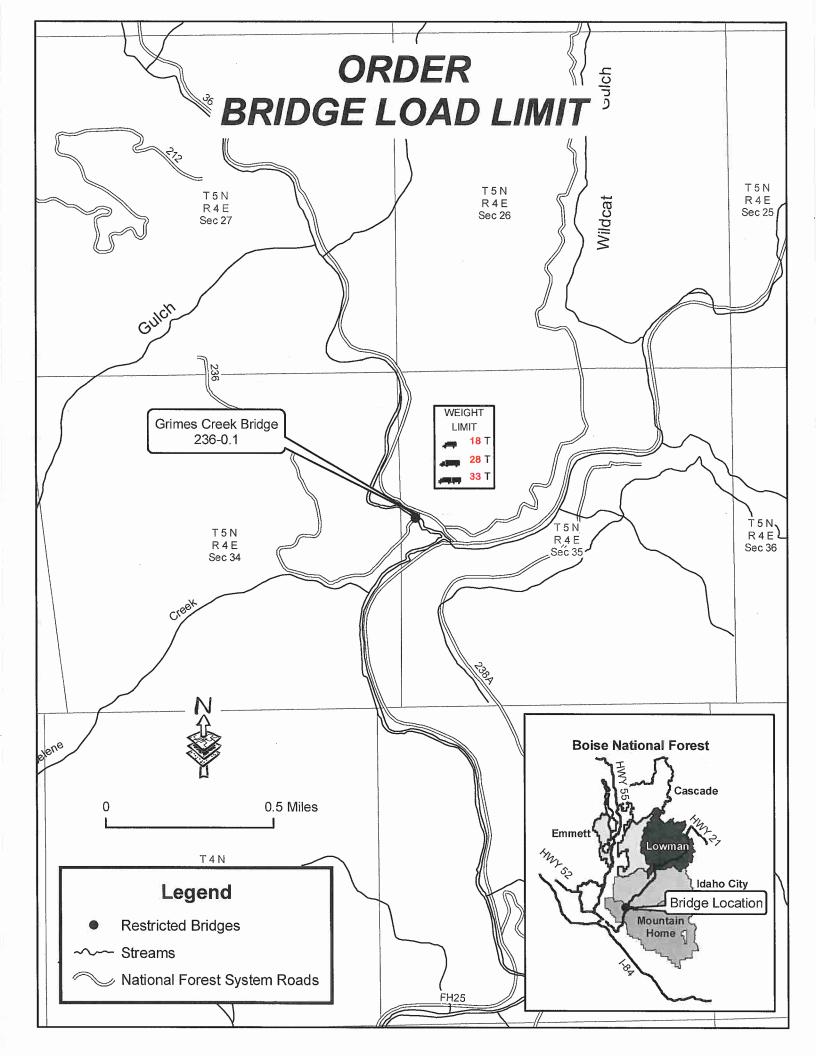












Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan Boise National Forest Order No. 0402-00-17

- 1. <u>Background</u>. As noted in <u>Sign and Poster Guidelines for the Forest Service</u> (<u>December 2005</u>), <u>Chapter 3A.6 Weight Limit</u> Notify road users of a legal load limit less than state legal limits. Post WEIGHT LIMIT signs immediately in advance of the structure or section of road to which it applies. Weight limits shall be supported by a written order. The VEHICLE WEIGHT sign (R12-1) is used for posting total vehicle weight limits regardless of axle configuration. The WEIGHT LIMIT sign (R12-5) is the preferred sign to depict weight limits on roads and bridges. It permits increased weights when more axles are used to distribute the load. An advance warning assembly consisting of a WEIGHT LIMIT sign and the supplemental distance plaque W16-3 should be placed at road intersections or locations where the traffic can detour or conveniently turn around without significant backtracking for bridges posted at less than the legal or customary weight limit on the road.
- 2. <u>Intent of Subpart B order</u>. This Order is for all motorized vehicle access to promote public safety
- 3. <u>Enforcement Plan</u>. Load limit signing at bridge approaches to advise public of restriction. FS administrative personnel will make compliance contacts as needed.

Action	Responsible Official	Date
Prepare proposed order	Engineering Staff with LE&I input	04/02/12
Review proposed order	Supervisory LEO	04/24/12
Approve proposed order	Forest Supervisor	When signed
Post order (signs) in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51	District Staff, Road crew and LEO	05/01/12
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	Supervisor Office PAO	As req'd
Educational contacts will be made to obtain voluntary compliance as needed	Appropriate Staff LEO/field going personnel.	On going

Plan approved for implementation:

CECILIA R. SEESHOLTZ Forest Supervisor

Boise National Forest

DATE